

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 643

Introduced by Assembly Member Stone

February 20, 2013

An act relating to public schools.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 643, as introduced, Stone. Children in foster care: uninterrupted schooling.

Existing law requires a pupil to complete specified courses while in grades 9 to 12, inclusive, in order to receive a diploma of graduation from high school. Existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district to adopt rules specifying additional coursework requirements. Existing law requires, in certain circumstances, a school district to exempt a transfer pupil in foster care from all coursework and other requirements adopted by the governing board of the school district that are in addition to the statewide coursework requirements for graduation.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to subsequently amend this bill to include provisions that would bring state law into compliance with the federal Uninterrupted Scholars Act (USA) to improve educational outcomes for youth in foster care.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to subsequently
- 2 amend this measure to include provisions that would bring state

- 1 law into compliance with the federal Uninterrupted Scholars Act
- 2 (USA) to improve educational outcomes for youth in foster care.

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